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Homecoming spirit streaks through UTM

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Homecoming Week is here, and as always there are plenty of events for students to enjoy and participate in.

Homecoming Week festivities begin with Rope Pull, which kicks off at 4 p.m. on Monday. The event will occur every day at the same time, with the exception of Friday's championship round, which will commence at 3:30 p.m. The event will be held at Pacer Pond, and admission is free of charge.

Tuesday, officially known as "Greek Day," features several smaller events hosted by UTM's Greek Life organizations. The most notable of these is Lip Sync, which is co-sponsored by the Student Activities Council. This year's Lip Sync event so far features fifteen groups of students competing, the highest level of participation in recent years. Lip Sync will take place at the northwest corner of the Elam Center at 8 p.m. with a rain backup date set for Thursday inside the Elam Center.

Wednesday is known as "Organization Day," promoting student organizations on campus. On this day the polls will open for the election of the 2014 UTM Homecoming Queen. Students may vote in person at the University Center or online. More information can be found at UTM's OrgSync page.

Thursday represents "Faculty and Staff Day," a chance to recognize UTM teachers and staff members for their work. The PRSSA will host the 12th annual "Womanless Beauty Revue" in Watkins Auditorium at 7 p.m. Admission is $5 per person. Door prizes will be awarded, and all proceeds will go toward a charity to be revealed at the event.

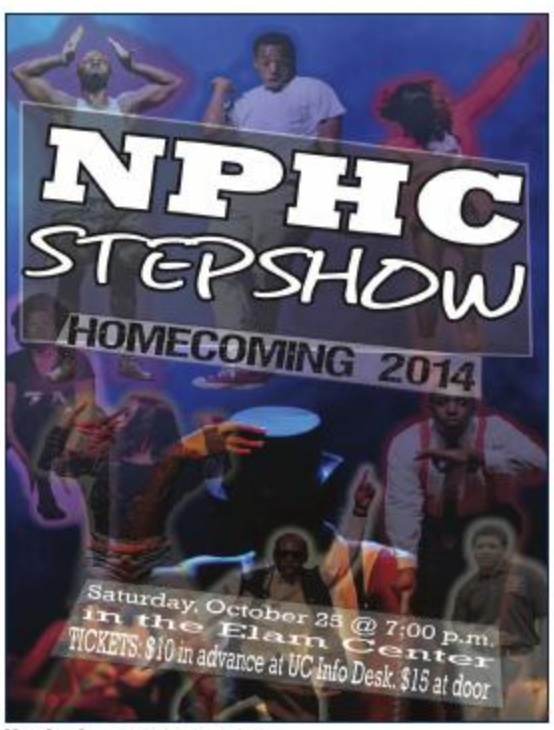
Friday is "Blue and Orange Day," an opportunity for students to show their school spirit. In addition to the final round of Rope Pull, the annual Pyramid competition and pep rally will take place at 7 p.m. Admission is $5 per person. In addition, the University Choir is holding two Dessert Evenings in the Fine Arts Building on Friday and Saturday, both at 7 p.m. Admission $18 for adults and $15 for children.

Saturday opens with the Letterwinners' Breakfast and Hall of Fame inductions at 7:30 a.m. at the Student Life Center. This is followed by the Chancellor's Breakfast and Awards Program at 9 a.m., followed by the annual opening of Quad City at 10:30 a.m. The UTM football team will participate in the annual Skyhawk Walk from the Quad to the Paul Meek Library at 11 a.m. At 2 p.m., the UTM Skyhawks will play against the Austin Peay Governors at Hardy Graham Stadium. This year's Homecoming Queen will be named at halftime. At 7 p.m. is the NPHC Stepshow in the Elam Center. Admission to this event is $10 in advance at the University Center Information Desk, and $15 at the door.

Sunday will wrap up the Homecoming festivities with the Walk in the Quad at 10 a.m. and the Homecoming Brunch at 10:30 a.m. The brunch is $10.85 for adults and $5.15 for children.

For more information on homecoming events, visit www.UTMForever.com.

NPHC gears up for annual fall step show



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On Saturday, October 25, 2014 at the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center, UTM will have its annual National Pan-Hellenic Council stepshow.

There is still time to purchase tickets in the University Center at the information desk for $10. Prices will rise to $15 on the night of the event.

The show will begin at 7 p.m. with performances from UTM's chapters of Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma, and Zeta Phi Beta.

The NPHC step show has been a part of Martin's homecoming festivities for over 10 years, and the battle for the first-place prize and trophy is at its peak as the day gets closer.

"Being that this is my first time stepping, I am prepared to put on a great show and continue to uphold the winning title that my chapter is known for," said Carmen Norfleet, corresponding secretary of Delta Sigma Theta. "You have to keep that mindset. You have to want to win, but at the end of the day it's all about having fun and supporting one another."

The first, second, and third place winners from the fraternity and sorority categories will each receive a trophy, and the first place finisher in each category will win an additional $1,000. Last year's winners were Delta Sigma Theta of the sororities and Phi Beta Sigma of the fraternities.

NPHC organizations have been known for stepping and doing step shows since the 1970's. While at first these competitions were mainly for fraternities rather than sororities, over the years it has become increasingly popular for both groups to participate in these acts.

"We take pride in our stepping and understand that it takes hard work, dedication, and creativity to win a step show," said Corey Bostick, vice president of Phi Beta Sigma. "We strive to display these qualities this year, and with this being our centennial year, we hope to take home the 1st place trophy. Best [of] luck to the others."

This is an intense time for performers of the organizations participating, and those who plan to attend the show are undoubtedly ready to see what each group has to bring to the table.

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EDITORIAL

All encouraged to have fun, but be safe, on Halloween

Halloween is rapidly approaching, and all of you boo-ys and ghouls are most likely wondering what there will be to do in the surrounding area to get in the festive, fall holiday spirit.

While it is probably pretty tempting to sit on the couch and have a scary movie marathon while sipping a pumpkin spice latte, we at *The Pacer* encourage everyone to get out and enjoy all of the spooky celebrations. There are a wide variety of haunted houses and mazes. There are also plenty of not-so-scary things for those of you who are easily spooked.

Let's start right here on our campus. There's the infamous Clement Hall Ghost Tour. This year, the tour will take place from 7 p.m. until midnight Wednesday, Oct. 29.

The big campus event this year is the humans vs. zombies campus wide game of tag. The big game will take place Oct. 26-Oct. 30. The informational meetings will be held at 6 p.m. Oct. 26-27 in Watkins Auditorium.

There is also the Fear Factory located at First and Main streets in downtown Union City. Fear Factory is open this coming weekend and the last two days of October.

For the truly adventurous, there is the Talon Falls Screampark, which consists of four attractions in one location. The Screampark is located in Hickory, Kentucky. Their information can be found on their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/talonfalls.

For those looking for something a bit more laid back, Holt Farms in Dresden offers a pumpkin patch complete with a corn maze and a hayride. All details including dates and pricing can be found on their website at www.holtfamilyfarms.com.

So no matter what you decide to do, get out and enjoy Halloween 2014. Even if you don't choose one of our suggestions, find something enjoyable and festive to do. Whatever you decide to do, as always, be safe and have fun!

COLUMN

Let's end rape culture one person at a time

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Rape is a powerful word. When you think of rape, people automatically think about a woman getting sexually assaulted.

The saddest part of this article is acknowledging that most people won't think twice about rape. If it doesn't affect them or any particular person they are close to, who cares? In this society people see rape as "slut shaming" and "victim blaming".

These terms go hand and hand with the term rape culture. Over the years our society has collectively picked up and molded together this horrible aspect of what gender harassment is.

"Slut shaming" is a term that belittles a person for their means of sexuality and behaviors that follow. This affects people of every race, gender and even religion. For example, women are accused of promiscuity for doing something as simple as taking birth control. Another example is calling a man out for buying an excessive amount of condoms. Both examples depict the destruction of people's reputations for trivial reasons. This is what makes rape culture such a significant problem.

This issue, in fact, is a double standard. If a woman is being promiscuous, she's insulted and degraded. If a man is in the same position, he's given a high-five. If a man gets a woman pregnant and walks away and comes back later in the child's life, he's in the clear. What happens to the woman? Her chance for being sexual is now slurred on an invisible permanent record. That is rape culture.

Another term people may be familiar with is the term "victim blaming."

Let's say a male or female wants to go out for the night and have a nice, fun time. Let's say they dress with good taste or even a little provocative. Should that mean at the end of the night someone should force them into something they don't want to do, like intercourse? No, it doesn't mean someone should overpower you just because you dressed the way you did. This is a case of victim blaming, where you blame the man or woman wearing such clothing and blame the victim that is was their fault they were taken advantage of. Instead of paying attention the crime that has been committed, they immediately point a finger at the victim, again, this is rape culture.

Double standards, slut shaming and victim blaming do not desire the attention they have been receiving for centuries. Rape culture must end.

The UTM website contains the Annual Security Report, a report of sexual assault and domestic violence that have happened on campus. Fortunately, the numbers are low. The percentage of students who reported dating violence in 2011 was only 6%, a figure which slowly decreased during 2012 to 2% reported before then rising to 3% reported in 2013. Stalking was reported to be 2% during 2012 and 1% in 2013. Domestic violence remained the same through the years of 2011-2013 , with three reports each year.

Though the number at UTM may be low, these numbers need to continue to decrease and hopefully eventually disappear. Violence is not acceptable by any means. That is rape culture.

Rape culture is mainly a weapon against women, as described by the VAWA, (Violence Against Women Act). Yet that is always not true to say, since we have prejudice against men as well, specifically against gay men. Violence against women and men need to stop, but stopping this problem is difficult if not everyone reports what's going on behind closed doors.

Let's start a conversation about rape culture and help stop the violence, double standards, victim blaming and slut shaming. We must restore the balance between men and women and set us as an equal. Let's help end rape culture.

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Situationship: The new standard in relationship labeling

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With the constant stress of classes, work, finances and life in general who has time for an actual relationship?

There is a growing trend, especially among people our age, to have a relationship with a special someone without actually being in a relationship or labeling it as such, and it's called a "situationship."

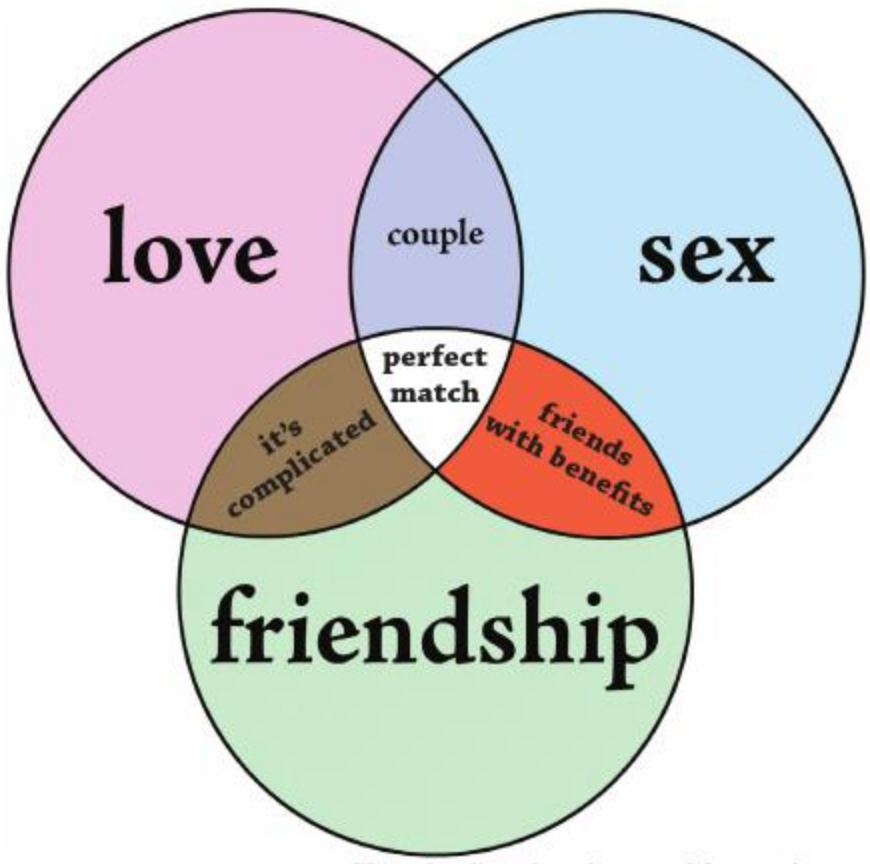
Urban Dictionary describes a situationship as "any problematic relationship characterized by one or more unresolved, interpersonal conflicts," or "a relationship that has no label on it."

Basically, you're dating, but you don't label your relationship as dating.

So why do people want a situationship instead of a relationship?

One reason may be that people think they're too busy for something more meaningful. With the hectic schedule of the average college student, things can seem a bit overwhelming and it's certainly tough to go at it alone.

Stress also comes with a relationship, and that may be more than some people think they can bare. By not labeling your relationship, maybe you think that you won't have the stresses of a normal relationship, but that's simply not the case.



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The truth is that you'll still have all the stresses of a defined relationship because, in all actuality, you are in a relationship. You just choose not to call them "boyfriend" or "girlfriend."

The fear of commitment might be another reason why people want a situationship instead of a relationship. If you don't define it as a relationship, then there's nothing actually there, therefore, there's no commitment, right? Wrong. These things are typically a monogamous relationship of some sort, so there is an element of commitment. Plus, the relationship isn't just on a sexual basis. That's something completely different.

So why not go ahead and call it what it is? Instead of calling it "a thing" or a situationship, you should still call it a relationship, because there really is no difference. It has no more benefits or downsides than a defined relationship. You go through the same things a couple in a defined relationship would.

If you're worried that you might not have the time to commit to a relationship, then maybe it's better to stay single instead of getting involved with someone and both of you getting hurt in the process. Or maybe you should consider taking things slowly. Instead of jumping into a relationship, ease into it. Explain to your special someone that you don't want to rush into things and end up hurting each other.

There is absolutely nothing wrong with showing commitment and taking things slowly. If you want something to work out, you'll find a way to make it work.

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News

Managing money as a college student

Ashley Marshall
Executive Editor

When it comes to money, it's safe to say that if it's available, it will be spent.

Money is a solution in some ways, but to college students, when it's the solution, it can also be the problem. When students start college, they are made aware of tuition, book cost and housing. All of these things are necessities, but students may not be aware of the cost of their wants. Dr. William L. Davis, a professor of economics at UTM, explains that many factors contribute to college students' general inability to manage their money properly.

"Many college students have never had to do it before and are simply inexperienced with managing their money, leading to lots of financial mistakes," said Davis. "This is complicated by the fact that the marketplace is flooded with so many new products that lure students into overspending."

Although a student's wants can get in the way of managing their money, taking care of present expenses with borrowed money can also grow into a problem, as this can affect future expenses. Dr. Mahmoud Haddad, a professor of finance, explains that a loan can cause present and future money managing issues.

"To successfully manage money, students need to understand one of the most important principles of managing money, which is Time Value of Money," said Haddad. "That is, if we borrow

one dollar today, it must be paid in the future–upon graduation for students–with added interest. This can lead to paying two dollars for each dollar we borrowed, and sometimes more depending on the loan interest rate. The less a student borrows by budgeting his/her expenses on non-essential educational expenses, the less financial stress and difficulties he/she will face during college life and after graduation."

For those students who are having money troubles, Haddad says that it would be beneficial to students, especially freshmen, to take a course in personal finance.

Davis advises that student try the old-fashioned method of setting money a side or saving for a "rainy day."

"Develop a habit of saving a little bit of money every week, even if it's just $10 per week," said Davis. "Doing it on a regular basis will pay big dividends down the road. At the end of each year, students who do this will be able to see the fruits of their efforts. Foregoing one McDonald's value meal or a couple of Starbucks coffees a week, and instead putting [the money saved] in a savings account, is all that one needs to do to get started in developing a savings habit and keeping it for life."

Rodney Freed, an instructor of Communications, agrees that saving money for a "rainy day" is important.

"Have a 'rainy day' fund stuck away for emergency or unexpected things," said Freed.

Managing money is difficult for people of any age, and for college students in particular, money managing has to be put on an already long list of things that need to be done. Unfortunately, there is no way to save money without effort. So if students don't try to keep a hold of their money and manage their expenses, then money troubles will always be present.

Kim Jong-un's absence prompts speculation

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The sudden absence and equally sudden reappearance of Supreme Leader of North Korea Kim Jong-un has prompted worldwide speculation about the dictator's health.

The third member of his family to hold sway over the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Kim Jong-un had not made a public appearance in over a month since he reportedly attended a concert on September 3. The Korean Central News Agency, a media outlet maintained by the North Korean government, reported on Monday, October 13 that the dictator had returned, making an "on-site guidance trip" to a housing project that is currently under construction.

During Kim Jong-un's absence, three of North Korea's highest-ranking leaders made a weekend diplomatic visit to South Korea earlier this month. In addition, since his reappearance, the two countries have held "high-level military" discussions at the Joint Security Area near Panmunjom. These discussions have raised the possibility of more peaceful communication between the two Koreas in coming years.

Ri Tong-il, North Korean deputy ambassador to the United Nations, declined to answer questions on October 7 regarding Kim Jong-un's uncharacteristic absence over the past month.

One of the prevailing theories explaining Kim's disappearance is that the dictator's heath has been in decline.

"He may have early onset diabetes, gout, [or] ankle problems," said Frank Jannuzi of the Mansfield Foundationin an interview with CNN. "Strong health does not run in his family."

Others, however, believe Kim Jong-un may have been supplanted as leader of North Korea. Jang Jin-sung, a prominent defector from North Korea who previously served as a propagandist for Kim's father, Kim Jong-il, claims that Kim Jong-un had been made into a figurehead by a group known as the Organization and Guidance Department.

"Kim Jong-un is a symbolic head of state," Jang told CNN. "Symbolically he became Supreme Leader. He did not necessarily inherit all the loyalties, the trust, the connections, experiences. He came in as a newcomer, and his position in the system is not the same."

There has not yet been an official explanation for Kim Jong-un's absence.

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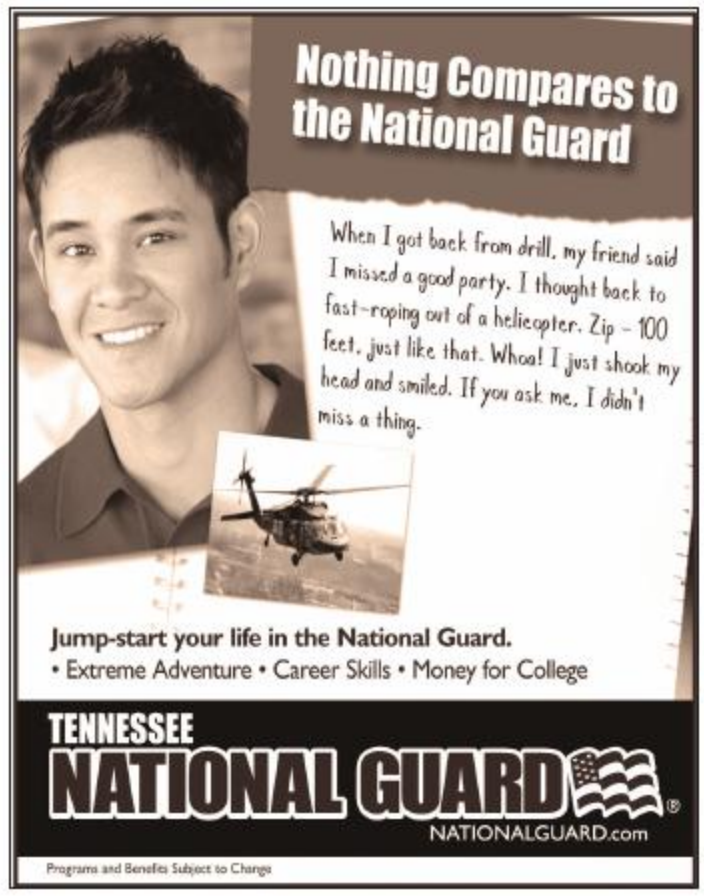

News

Sociology Club, Rotaract, UTM football host can drive for Homecoming

Diamond Adams
Guest Writer

From left: Porter Streator III (27), Damani Taylor (93), Garrett Vincent (97), Andrew Horton (6), Ryan Isom (91), Kevin Reid (38), Tyler Eddings (82), JP Fowler (32). | **Pacer Photo/Diamond Adams**

UTM's Sociology Club, Rotaract club and Skyhawk football team are joining forces to host a can drive during Homecoming week to raise money for We Care Ministries, Santa's Helpers and the Carl Perkins Center.

The drive has collected over 2,000 cans food thus far during the event. The group's goal is to obtain at least 30,000 pounds of food, about three times the amount donated last year.

Rotaract regularly hosts a can sculpture contest every year during Homecoming. This year, however, Sociology Club president Casey Dowty decided to use the contest as a fundraising opportunity.

"This was my first year as the Sociology Club president, and I wanted to do something big," said Dowty. "I wanted to make a difference in our community, and I wanted people to know that our small club could do big things. ...Thankfully, Dr. [George] Daniel and the Rotaract members were very supportive of my idea, and we are now partners in this effort."

This year, students, faculty, staff and community members not participating in the sculpture contest may bring their canned goods to the entrance of Hardy-Graham Stadium prior to UTM's Homecoming game this Saturday against Austin Peay. As added incentive, anyone who brings at least five cans of food will receive a coupon for a free milkshake from Chick-Fil-A.

In an effort to increase awareness for the project, Dowty sought support from the UT Martin Skyhawks football team.

"I wanted the football team to kick things off, because I thought this would be a good way to have them support and give back to their community, and in return receive equal support from the community at their game," said Dowty.

In addition to reaching out to the football team, Dowty has contacted several media outlets and is planning to place information in the University Center as well.

In addition to the contest, the Sociology club as well as Rotaract will be hosting additional fundraisers on the day of Homecoming.

"I think we are going to continue to do this as a yearly event," said Dowty. "We need all the support we can get to help our community organizations."

Department of English and Modern Foreign Languages hosts annual picnic

Samantha Mobley
Staff Writer

UTM's Department of English and Modern Foreign Language held their annual picnic on October 9 at Weldon Park in downtown Martin.

Each fall, the department holds a picnic as a means to bring together students of all classes and professors. By reaching out to everyone in the department, it offers a way for all those involved to meet and get to know who they will be spending their time with for the academic year.

As the picnic began, professors and students gathered to enjoy and celebrate the halfway point of the semester. The picnic lasted from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. 75 students and faculty members were present at the picnic.

Food for the picnic was provided by Southern Red's Barbeque of Pilot Oak, KY.

"It was a wonderful evening to eat barbecue and listen to rock and roll," said Dr. Chris Hill, associate professor of English.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by the House Band, a group consisting of professors from the Humanities. Dr. David Coffey, professor of history and chairman of the Department of History and Philosophy, sang for the band, as well as played harmonica and guitar. Dr. Chris Brown (drummer) and Dr. Jim Fieser (lead guitarist) are professors of philosophy, while Dr. David Carithers (rhythm guitarist) is an associate professor of English. Ken Robinson, Director of Engineering for WLJT, played keyboard, and Micah Barnes Electronics and Communications Specialist for the Department of Music, played bass.

Dr. John Glass, associate professor of English, believes the event was a success.

"It's an event that has good food, good music and good people," said Glass. "It keeps getting better."

Homecoming Queen elections set for Wednesday

Matt Bodkins
News Co-Editor

Students will be able to cast their votes this week for whom they would like to see represent UTM as homecoming queen. Introduction of the candidates to the student body will be held at the SAC Lip Sync Contest this Tuesday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m., and voting will take place the following day.

There are 10 candidates campaigning for queen this year. Four candidates are representing NPC (National Panhellenic Conference) sororities. These candidates include Brittany Berry, a veterinary technology major and representative of Zeta Tau Alpha; Hannah Robison, a chemistry major and representative of Alpha Omicron Pi; Alley Hargrove, an exercise science major and representative of Chi Omega; and Kayla Harmon, a communications major and representative of Alpha Delta Pi.

Two of the remaining candidates represent NPHC (National Pan-Hellenic Council) sororities. These are Brittany Fields, a health and human performance major and representative of Delta Sigma Thet, and Rashunica Holland, an elementary education major and representative of Alpha Kappa Alpha.

The final three candidates represent non-Greek organizations. They are Ashleigh Burton, a communications major sponsored by The Wesley Foundation; Camikka Edwards, a nursing major sponsored by Nurses Christian Fellowship; and Ashtyn Farris, an animal science pre-veterinary program major representing Sigma Alpha Professional Agricultural Sorority.

Primary elections for homecoming queen will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Students may vote in person at the voting station on the first floor of the University Center or online at www.utm.edu/election.

If, during the primary, a single candidate receives more than 50 percent of the vote, then that candidate will be crowned homecoming queen. However, it is very rare for this stipulation to take effect.

"Never in my history has a candidate received over 50 percent on the first day of voting, so we always have had to have a run-off election for queen," said John Abel, interim director of the Boling University Center.

The run-off election will be held Thursday, Oct. 23, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. In this run-off, the two candidates who received the most votes from day one will be the only candidates on the ballot.

The winner of the election will be announced at halftime of UTM's football game against Austin Peay on Saturday, Oct. 25. The Homecoming Court, which is composed of the five candidates receiving the most overall votes, will be revealed at that time as well.

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Arts & Entertainment

Pitt's *Fury* blasts box offices during its opening weekend

Chance Farmer
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War is a terrible thing. Its costs are many, and few films seem to capture that. *Fury*, on the other hand, captures that aspect and much more.

Fury is the story of an American tank crew fighting through Nazi Germany in April 1945, toward the end of the European theater of World War II. The story primarily follows a boy named Norman, played by Logan Lerman, as he learns the harsh realities of war, thanks to his tank commander, Don "Wardaddy" Collier, played by Brad Pitt. Norman is fresh out of basic training, and isn't even trained to be a tank operator. That doesn't stop Collier from putting him through the ringer and forcing him to make decisions that Norman doesn't want to make.

Throughout their trek, Norman sees what war is really like for all sides, including that of innocent civilians living in the war zone. Norman learns that, in war, your sense of morality changes, and sometimes the hardest decision is the right one.

Being a war movie, the action is obviously intense all the way through. There is absolutely no shortage of explosions, blood, gore and violence. The tank battles and gunfights will definitely keep you on the edge of your seat. *Fury* really shines by being true to the time in which it's based. Instead of mere copies, actual tanks from World War II were used in the film, including a German Tiger tank, which was the most feared tank on the battlefield in its day.

The cast of *Fury* delivers a masterful performance that really makes you feel the raw energy and emotion that a soldier feels in war. Pitt does a great job of playing the hardened war veteran who's trying to keep his men alive, while Lerman gives a truly spine-tingling performance and makes the audience feel every emotion a young soldier on the battlefield would feel.

All in all, *Fury* is an emotional roller-coaster that will enthrall any audience and is definitely a must-see for anyone interested in a great story.

'Believe It!' Naruto coming to an end

Natalie Bates
Staff Writer

Naruto, the worldwide sensation on the most popular manga to ever be released in stores, is coming to a close this November.

The first manga (graphic magazine) to ever be released was in 1999; 15 years later the creator of Naruto announced that in 2014 they would be ending the manga.

The anime series will still continue for some time and the last new movie is due for release Dec. 6, 2014.

Naruto started out as a young boy who lived in Konoha, the hidden leaf village, all the way up till the end. Naruto was always known as the "number one hyperactive, knuckleheaded ninja" who failed out of the ninja academy twice. In the beginning of the series and manga alike, Naruto was always looked down on about the time he was 13. Naruto's dream one day was to be Hokage and become the ideal person people would seek to save the day and look up to as a hero.

In the sequel of Naruto Shippuden the topic is the same but with more training and deaths Naruto is more determined to prove his worth to his friends, his trainers and everyone who looked down on him in the past and his enemies.

After the past 15 years of Naruto, fans everywhere are a little relieved about the long journey of Naruto and his friends coming to an end.

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It is the longest-running anime show there is. It may not be the first, but that's OK, because at least the show is ending and hopefully with a happy ending. Spoiler alert: at least he has his family back and has friends to show for the long battle through the years of the torture he has dealt with his Jinchuriki being sealed within him.

Naruto will surely be missed, but he will not be forgotten in the lives of people who loved their "knuckleheaded ninja" who tried his very best to be where he is now. "Believe it!"

UTM Homecoming 2014 Word Find

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Sports

Turnovers, penalties help Skyhawks upset Tennessee State 21-16

Jared Peckenpaugh
Sports Editor

The UT Martin Skyhawks will have a chance next week to clinch their third Sgt. York Trophy after they defeated the Tennessee State Tigers 21-16 on Saturday afternoon.

The Skyhawks (3-5, 2-3 OVC) needed a win over the in-state rival to at least clinch a share of the Sgt. York Trophy.

"Big win, very proud of the players, and a great job by our defensive staff," said UTM head coach Jason Simpson. "Not a big statistical day, but it was enough to get the win on the road, and any time you can do that in our conference is a good day."

After a scoreless first quarter, the Skyhawks jumped out front first when Reuben Duckworth broke a 10-yard touchdown run on their first drive of the second quarter. Tennessee State marched down the field on the next drive, but were only held to a 34-yard field goal by Lane Clark. Neither team would get on the board for the rest of the first half, and the Skyhawks took a 7-3 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Tennessee State got the ball to start the second half and was able to drive the ball, getting down to the TSU 44-yard line. However with pressure by Deante Glover, Tiger quarterback Michael German threw an interception to nose tackle Keith Jones, who returned it 42-yards for a touchdown.

UTM would take advantage of another Tennessee State turnover later in the third quarter. On the first play of the drive, Tiger running back Telvin Hooks was stripped of the football by Nick Dance and the fumble was recovered by Tony Bell on the TSU 12-yard line. The Skyhawks capitalized a few plays later with a 7-yard touchdown pass from Jarod Neal to Corey Rodgers, his only catch in the game.

Down 21-3 at the end of the third quarter, Tennessee State needed to get points on the board if they wanted a chance to make a comeback. The Tigers did just that on their first drive of the fourth quarter by marching down the field and getting their first touchdown in the game, a 26-yard touchdown pass from German to Wel Garlington.

With under five minutes to go in the game, German would answer again with a 75-yard touchdown pass to Ryan Mitchell, narrowing the gap and giving UTM a 21-16 lead after missing the extra point.

Trailing by five points, Tennessee State had to get the football back, but with the help of Najee Ray and Duckworth, the Skyhawks where able to drain the last four minutes and 34 seconds to seal the 21-16 win.

The Skyhawks picked up only 67 passing yards and 143 rushing yards for a combined 210 yards of total offense. Tennessee State had 367 yards of total offense, but two turnovers and 13 penalties for 121-yards proved costly for the Tigers.

UTM quarterback Jarod Neal started and played the entire game for the second week in a row. Neal completed 11 of his 18 passes for 67 yards and one passing touchdown. Tiger quarterback Michael German completed 18 of his 36 passes for 314 yards, two touchdowns and an interception.

The Skyhawks had three running backs to rush for over 40 yards. Najee Ray led the Skyhawks rushing attack with 10 carries for 61 yards. Following behind him was Reuben Duckworth, who had 14 carries for 60 yards and a touchdown, and Abou Toure, who had 12 carries for 48 yards.

The win gives the Skyhawks a lot of momentum for next week when they host Austin Peay for Homecoming. Kickoff between the Skyhawks and the Governors is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at Graham Stadium.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

Football
2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 – Austin Peay (HC)
1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 – at Murray State

Women's Soccer
5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24 – at Belmont
2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26 – Austin Peay
7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31 – Murray State

Rodeo
West Alabama
Thursday, Oct. 30 – Saturday, Nov. 1

Rifle
Saturday, Nov. 1 – at Morehead State
Sunday, Nov. 2 – at Kentucky

Cross-Country
9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1 – OVC Championships

Volleyball
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21 – Tennessee State
6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24 – Belmont
7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31 – at SIU Edwardsville
2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1 – at Eastern Illinois

The Pacer Athlete of the Week

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Rianna Jarrett - #11

Junior
Position: Forward
Hometown: Wexford, Ireland
Major: Sports Management

- Scored hat trick in 4-0 win over Eastern Kentucky
- Scored game winning goal in 100th minute to defeat Eastern Illinois
- Named TSWA Women's Soccer Player of the Week

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Handball

- Registation Deadline - Noon Tuesday, Nov. 4
- Captain's Meeting - 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3
- Cost per entry: $30
- Divisions: Men and Women
- Play Begins Wednesday, Nov. 5

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The Skyhawks prepare to take the field against SEMO. The Skyhawks will host Austin Peay this Saturday for Homecoming at 2 p.m.
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Skyhawks host Governors Saturday

Sgt. York Trophy, Senior Day and Homecoming on the line

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Coming off a 21-16 upset win over Tennessee State, the Skyhawks now turn their attention to Austin Peay as they host the Governors for Homecoming.

"It was a great team win and very satisfying," said UTM head coach Jason Simpson in his weekly press conference. "We're able to get back this week, get another conference opponent for Homecoming...we're certainly excited about that."

The Skyhawks' previous wins over Tennessee State and Tennessee Tech puts them in the driver's seat to claim their third Sgt. York Trophy since the award's creation in 2007. The Skyhawks were the solo winners in 2010 and shared the trophy with Tennessee State in 2012. With a win over Austin Peay, the Skyhawks will be able to bring the trophy back to Martin.

The Governors (1-6, 1-2 OVC) are also coming off a huge win Saturday night when they defeated the Murray State Racers 20-13, snapping their 18 game losing streak which was the longest in the FCS. Austin Peay finished the contest with 349 yards of total offense.

"They had a big win over Murray," said Simpson. "They played well, they're 180 degrees in my opinion than they were last year."

The Governors are lead by freshman quarterback Mickey Macius, who threw for 201 yards and three touchdowns, all to wide receiver Jared Beard. Macius was also named Adidas Ohio Valley Conference Co-Newcomer of the Week. Coach Simpson mentioned that he was very impressed with Macius performance.

"Solid player, threw for three touchdown passes this week. [Macius] runs their offense very similar to Jarod Neal, especially at that point in his career."

Austin Peay averages 232 yards of total offense per game and has scored nine touchdowns this season, which ranks last in the OVC. The Governors also give up an average of about 458 yards on defense, eighth in the OVC. Despite scoring 20 and 21 points over the last two weeks, the Governors have either been shutout (twice) or scored one touchdown (three times).

Coach Simpson also mentioned in his press conference that despite the early season stats, he was impressed with Austin Peay's performance over Murray State and is not over looking the Governors.

Kickoff between the Skyhawks and the Governors is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Graham Stadium with Senior Day and Homecoming festivities scheduled before.

OVC Football Standings

School	OVC	Overall
Jacksonville State	3-0	5-1
Eastern Kentucky	3-1	6-1
Eastern Illinois	2-1	2-5
Southeast Missouri	2-2	4-4
Tennessee Tech	2-2	3-4
UT Martin	2-3	3-5
Austin Peay	1-2	1-6
Tennessee State	1-3	4-4
Murray State	1-3	2-5

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